LEGAL PROCESSING ASSISTANT TRAINEE

DEFINITION

Under immediate supervision, performs simple clerical work in support of court work units; and performs related duties as required.

DISTINGUISHING CHARACTERISTICS

This class is used primarily in large courts where there is a greater volume of basic clerical tasks that can be segregated from the work requiring in-depth knowledge of court procedures. Legal Processing Assistant Trainees work primarily in files, document control and traffic work units. The Legal Processing Assistant I is distinguished from the class of Legal Processing Assistant Trainee in that the latter is the entry and training class of the series. A Legal Processing Assistant I is expected to train in a variety of work assignments.

ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS

Sells forms to the public issuing receipts and making change; completes credit card charges; prints forms and makes packets.

Files documents in alphanumeric and chronological filing systems; sets up new case files; retrieves files for viewing and copying; compiles month end numerical counts.

Key enters data from citations into computer system; types form letters.

Receives and distributes mail; makes copies, receives and processes faxes.

Checks and replenishes stock supplies.

Performs related duties as assigned.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

Six months of general clerical experience that includes providing customer service or any combination of training and/or experience that could likely provide the desired knowledge and abilities. One year of full-time college coursework (24)

semester or 36 quarter units) in office practices, clerical or paralegal studies or closely related field may substitute for a maximum of six months of experience.

Knowledge of

Modern office practices and procedures including filing, operation of standard office equipment, personal computers and business correspondence; basic record keeping systems.

Ability to

Understand, explain, and apply specific statutes, codes, laws, regulations and procedures; prepare and process a variety of legal documents; maintain complex legal records and files; locate, identify and correct technical inaccuracies; enter data into a computer; assist people from diverse socio-economic backgrounds in various emotional states.

Special Requirements

A California driver's license requirement will be reviewed on a position basis in accordance with ADA regulations.

PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS

Strength, dexterity, coordination and vision to use a keyboard and video display terminal on a daily basis. Hearing to communicate with the public and court staff. Dexterity and coordination to handle files and single pieces of paper; occasional lifting of objects weighing up to 25 lbs. such as files, stacks of papers, reference and other materials. Moving from place to place within an office; some reaching for items above and below desk level.

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